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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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TAGS: CVIS, IR

SUBJECT: IRANIAN ENTERTAINERS TRAVELING TO U.S.

REF: STATE 59741 AND TEHRAN 2395

1. UPON FURTHER CONSIDERATION, DEPARTMENT CONCLUDES THAT IN THE CASE OF THE ANNUAL NOW ROOZ EVENT AS CELEBRATED BY THE IRANIAN EMBASSY AT WASHINGTON, D.C. RECENTLY, B-1 VISAS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE PROVIDED THAT THE ENTERTAINERS CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THAT THE VISAS ARE BEING ISSUED FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE NOW ROOZ EVENT AT THE EMBASSY AND THAT THEY WILL NOT REPEAT NOT ENGAGE IN ANY OTHER ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVITIES WHILE IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE B-1 CATEGORY.

2. IT IS EMPHASIZED THAT THIS IS AN EXCEPTION TO NOTE 4.2 (B) CFR 41.25 FOR THIS PARTICULAR ANNUAL EVENT IN VIEW OF IRANIAN EMBASSY SPONSORSHIP AND FACT PERFORMERS ARE COMING AT THE OFFICIAL INVITATION OF IRAN AND NO SALARY OR OTHER
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REMUNERATION OF U.S. SOURCE INVOLVED. DEPARTMENT FEELS IT

WOULD BE UNNECESSARY TO REQUEST EMBASSY FILE H PETITION
UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES.

3. ANY QUESTIONS OR SITUATIONS OTHER THAN THE ANNUAL
EVENT COVERED ABOVE SHOULD BE REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. KISSINGER

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